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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 172, Adjournment Resolution.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages \$8619-\$8639

Measures Introduced: Three bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1553–1555. Page S8631

Measures Passed:

Adjournment Resolution: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 172, providing for a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives and a conditional recess or adjournment of the Senate.

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Measures Considered:

Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration Appropriations Act: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 2997, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Adopted:

Kohl (for Leahy) Amendment No. 2234 (to Amendment No. 1908), to provide funding for the Office of Inspector General to conduct inspections of the national organic program. Pages \$8622-23

Pending:

Kohl/Brownback Amendment No. 1908, in the nature of a substitute. Page S8619

Kohl (for Tester) Amendment No. 2230 (to Amendment No. 1908), to clarify a provision relating to funding for a National Animal Identification Program.

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Brownback Amendment No. 2229 (to Amendment No. 1908), to establish within the Food and Drug Administration 2 review groups to recommend solutions for the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of rare diseases and neglected diseases of the developing world.

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Kohl (for Murray/Baucus) Amendment No. 2225 (to Amendment No 1908), to allow State and local

governments to participate in the conservation reserve program. Pages \$8622-23

Kohl (for Nelson (FL)) Amendment No. 2226 (to Amendment No. 1908), to prohibit funds made available under this Act from being used to enforce a travel or conference policy that prohibits an event from being held in a location based on a perception that the location is a resort or vacation destination.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the Kohl/Brownback Amendment No. 1908 (listed above), and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of Friday, July, 31, 2009, a vote on cloture will occur at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, August 3, 2009, and that if cloture is invoked, postcloture time be considered to have begun as if cloture had been invoked at 11 a.m., on Monday, August 3, 2009. Pages \$8619-20

A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Monday, August 3, 2009.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senate resume consideration of the bill at approximately 3 p.m., on Monday, August 3, 2009; provided further, that first-degree amendments be filed at the desk by 3:30 p.m., on Monday August 3, 2009.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Kevin W. Concannon, of Maine, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services. (Prior to this action, Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration.)

Christine M. Griffin, of Massachusetts, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Personnel Management.

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